

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 11-19, and 21-22 are pending in the application with Claims 1 and 13 being the independent claims. Claims 10 and 20 have been canceled.

Priority

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that a certified copy of the 2,252,207 application was required. A certified copy of the 2,252,207 application will follow by fax to the Examiner.

Claim Rejections

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite. Claim 4 has been rewritten to overcome this rejection.

On pages 2-7, Claims 1-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103, as being anticipated by and unpatentable over Bhatia and Rowe. As discussed in the interview with the Examiner, Applicants traverse these rejections, and respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejection of these claims. Applicants have amended Claims 1 and 13 for clarification purposes, as discussed in the interview with the Examiner.

The Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the interview. Should the Examiner determine that any further action is necessary to place this application into better form, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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